



Veterans' Affairs Committee

Wednesday, March 11, 2015 at 6:00 p.m.
Mayor and Council Chambers
City Hall, 255 W. Alameda, Tucson, Arizona

Legal Action Report and Summary Minutes **Approved: April 8, 2015**

1. Call to Order/Establish a Quorum

Meeting called to order by Secretary, Samantha Bivens at 6:00 p.m. Those present and absent were:

Present:

Steven Walker
Samantha Bivens
Valerie Davis
William Burks
Carol Rundell
C.W. Hall
Phyllis Russell
Terry Byron
Gerald Petersen
Murray Baker

Representing:

American Legion Post 7
American Red Cross
AMVETS Post 770
DAV Cactus Chapter 2
Disabled American Veterans Auxiliary
Disabled American Veterans Chapter 4
Esperanza En Escalante
Marine Corps League, Marana Nighthawk
Military Officers Association of America
Tucson Jewish War Veterans Post 201

Absent:

Norman Ross
Bob Slocum, Vice Chairman
Ed Torres, Chairman
Paul Marsh
Bruce Hamilton
Dan Ross

Arizona Korean War Veterans Association
Military Order of the Purple Heart
Missing in America Project
Tucson Veterans Cemetery Group
Tucson Veterans Serving Veterans
Vietnam Veterans of America Chapter 106

Staff Members Present:

Donna DeLeon

City Clerk's Office, Recording Secretary

Others Present:

Lizette Eckerman

American Legion Post 7

2. Pledge of Allegiance

3. Invocation

The invocation was given by Committee Member Baker.

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4. Introduction of Guests

Lizette Eckerman from American Legion Post 7 was acknowledged.

10. Lizette Eckerman from American Legion Post 7 to speak on Veterans Day Parade

This item was taken out of order. Presentation was given by Lizette Eckerman regarding funding for the Veterans Day Parade. Discussion was held. No formal action was taken.

5. Approval of Legal Action Report and Summary Minutes from February 11, 2015

It was moved by Committee Member Baker, duly seconded, and carried by a voice vote of 10 to 0 (Chairman Torres, Vice Chairman Slocum and Committee Members D. Ross, Marsh, N. Ross, Hamilton absent/excused) to approve the Legal Action Report and Summary Minutes from the February 11, 2015 meeting.

6. Treasurer's Report

Report was given by Committee Member Byron, a handout was distributed, and discussion was held. It was moved by Committee Member Baker, duly seconded, and carried by a voice vote of 10 to 0 (Chairman Torres, Vice Chairman Slocum and Committee Members D. Ross, Marsh, N. Ross, Hamilton absent/excused) to accept the Financial Report.

7. Consideration / Approval of New Members

There were no new members for consideration. Discussion was held on the recruitment of new members and Veterans organizations. No formal action was taken.

8. Committee Reports

a. Airport Military Lounge

No report was given.

b. Southern Arizona VA Health Care System

No report was given.

c. Tucson Veterans Cemetery

No report was given.

9. Operation Exodus

Brief update given by Committee Member Byron. Discussion was held. No formal action was taken.

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10. Lizette Eckerman from American Legion Post 7 to speak on Veterans Day Parade

This item was taken out of order and was considered after agenda item number 4.

11. Report on Current Events: For the Good of the Order

Reports regarding various upcoming events were provided by Committee Members Walker, Hall, Davis, Baker, Byron, Bivens and Burks. No handouts were distributed. No formal action was taken.

13. Future Agenda Items

- Veterans Day Parade concerns and committee participation
- Recruitment of new members and organizations

14. Salute to Colors

15. Adjournment

Meeting adjourned at 6:43 p.m.